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Dear Leland,

I have been informed today that Vandenberg is unwilling to give favorable consideration to Lansdale's promotion. It appears that Lansdale is still a long way from the zone of consideration and, aside from temporary spot promotions in Korea, the Air Force has refused to consider any exceptions to their established policy.

We have succeeded in bringing Lansdale's good work to Vandenberg's attention, however, and he has assured me that my letter will be given to the first promotion board to consider him in the future.

"I did my best on this.
W. B. S."

Faithfully,

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